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COVER LETTER

Sir:

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Total Claims	6	6	XXX (Over 20)	x \$50	0
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TOTAL		0.00			

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[x] Supplemental Response to	[] Petition for Extension of Time
Restriction Requirement	[] Terminal Disclaimer
[] Substitute Specification	[] Letter to Draftsperson w/_ sheets of
[] Preliminary Amendment	replacement drawings
[] Information Disclosure Statement	[] Other

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

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This is a Supplemental Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on December 21, 2005, the response to which was initially filed on January 23, 2006, provisionally electing, with traverse, the invention of Group I (Claims 1-3) drawn to a method for evaluating interferon treatment and further provisionally electing Species A gene IFIT4, Species B, gene IRF7, Species C, gene SCYA2, Species D, gene IL4, and Species E, gene TGF4.

By way of this Supplemental Response, Applicants hereby revoke the species election with respect to Species D and E only and hereby provisionally elect Species D, gene IL18, and Species E, gene TGFB1.

In view of that, the Species elected of record now are: Species A gene IFIT4, Species B, gene IRF7, Species C, gene SCYA2, Species D, gene IL18, and Species E, gene TGFB1.

Other than the foregoing amendment, the Response to the Restriction Requirement filed on January 23, 2006, is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety and Applicants respectfully ask that the Examiner still reconsider the propriety of the restriction requirement in view of arguments made prior.

Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the address and telephone number indicated below.

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